

SB #65-97

IN THE MATTER OF THE CERTIFICA- :
TION OF THE EDUCATION BUDGET OF :
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE : STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CITY OF ATLANTIC CITY PURSUANT TO : DECISION
N.J.A.C. 18A:22-38, ATLANTIC COUNTY. :

Decided by the Commissioner of Education, June 13, 1997

For the Appellant, Jacobs & Jacobs (Joseph M. Jacobs, Esq., of Counsel) and
Michael C. Epps, Esq.

Based upon our review of the record in this matter, with particular attention to the arguments offered by the Atlantic City Board in support of its appeal, we conclude that the Board has failed to establish that it is necessary to restore \$350,000 in line item reductions made by the Commissioner to its proposed budget for 1997-98 in order for it to provide a thorough and efficient education to its students. Board of Education of the Borough of Edgewater v. Mayor and Council of the Borough of Edgewater, decided by the State Board, July 6, 1994. That being the case, the Commissioner's participation in this matter is not required and, accordingly, we have not addressed whether the submission made on his behalf in this appeal should be considered.

November 5, 1997

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